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Hiroaki TOOYAMA Art Unit: 1645

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For: **DAMPING DEVICE** 

## **Second Status Inquiry Letter**

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In follow-up to our initial Status Inquiry electronically filed on October 5, 2007, to date, we have not received a response from the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office.

As indicated in our October 5, 2007 inquiry, a review of the U. S. Patent & Trademark Office's PAIR System indicated that the response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) and payment of Surcharge Late Fee electronically filed on March 7, 2007 in the above-identified patent application has not been made of record. To date, the Applicant has not received a Notification of Acceptance of Application Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 & 37 CFR § 1.495 nor an Official Filing Receipt for the above-identified patent application. Please advise the undersigned of the present status of the above-identified patent application.

U.S. Application No.: 10/597,072 Attorney Docket No.: 2261.0050000

A second copy of the Response to the Notification of Missing Requirements and payment of Surcharge Late Fee as filed on March 7, 2007 is enclosed for your reference.

Respectfully submitted,

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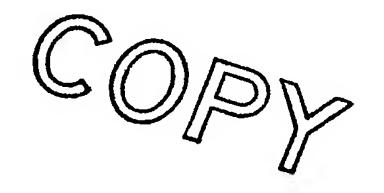
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